

## Investing in our community



Over a hundred years ago gold mining was responsible for the development of the town of Waihi and the local and regional infrastructure. Roads, railway, telegraph and electric power were all provided initially to service the mining industry.

Construction of the modern Martha Mine started in 1987. Since that time we have invested a significant amount of money in the community through partnerships and sponsorship of groups, organisations and projects. We have also contributed a large amount to the local economy. For example, in the last five years we have spent over \$264m in the local community, amounting to about 32% of the town's economy.

Here are some of the projects we have supported and have been involved in over the years since mining returned to Waihi.

1. The Nugget multisport event
2. Bridge to Bridge riparian planting project
3. Waihi Memorial Hall refurbishment
4. Waihi's Warm Up Party for Beach Hop
5. HELP (Habitat Enhancement and Landcare Partnership)
6. WaW (Wild about Waihi)
7. TECT helicopter
8. Community movie night (20th year gold pour)



### Waihi Streetscape 2000

We made a major financial contribution to the redevelopment of the commercial centre of town as well as funding the miner's statue in front of the Memorial Hall and the replica poppet head as part of the Streetscape Project.

### Replica Poppet Head 2001

This replica headframe - used to lower and raise a cage in a vertical shaft in the historic underground mine - was constructed by Waihi Gold as a contribution to Streetscape 2000.



### Waihi Community Vision and the Vision Waihi Trust

Since 2003  
Newmont has funded these groups since their inception. This photo shows Eddie Morrow and Kevin Corney with a trophy presented to mark the group reaching the finals in the community organisation section of the inaugural New Zealander of the Year Awards.



### Cornish Pumphouse Relocation 2006

Newmont provided \$5 million for this project. Once relocated, the pumphouse icon became the focus of a major town rebranding exercise. Today the pumphouse is a busy tourist attraction at the top of the town.



### Waihi Events Centre 1998

Waihi Gold made a large financial contribution to this community facility, which opened in 1998.



### Dotterel Watch Programme Since 1995

We have funded this programme each year since 1995 in partnership with the Department of Conservation to provide a vehicle, quad bike and staff to help protect the threatened New Zealand dotterel on the Coromandel Peninsula.



### Martha Mine Open Days Since 1994

Run in conjunction with Waihi Lions Club and with the assistance of many other community groups, open days return money to the local community to help fund local and regional projects.



### Gilmour Lake 1987

Waihi Gold constructed Gilmour Lake to replace the Mine Lake, which was dewatered and removed when mining recommenced in 1987. The facility was later gifted to the community.



### Waihi Gold Mining Education Trust Since 1992

Each year Waihi Gold has provided funds for Waihi College and scholarships for individual students through an Education Trust. In the last few years we have also assisted each of the six primary schools in the town and immediate region.

### Pit Rim Walkway 2005

The first section of the Pit Rim Walkway was constructed by Newmont in 2005. The walkway now stretches all the way around the open pit and is a popular trail for locals and visitors.



### In 2011 we provided financial and/or in-kind support for the following:

Art Waikino  
Athenree Fire Brigade - defibrillator  
Athenree Wildlife Refuge Reserve Restoration  
Bosom Buddies  
Bowentown Boating and Sport Fishing Club  
Community Patrols NZ  
Coromandel FM - Cancer society  
DOC - Dotterel Watch Programme  
Dylan Schmidt - trampolining representative  
Go Waihi - Beach Hop  
Go Waihi - GoldFest  
Grace Spiers - surfing representative  
Hauraki Enterprise Agency  
Hetherington House - Dementia Unit  
John Mulvey - mural art  
Karangahake School  
Katikati College  
Matariki Waihi 2011  
New Zealand Census  
Paeroa College  
Parish of St Johns Waihi  
Rachel Schmidt - trampolining representative  
Ross Colman - basketball representative  
Sport N Action - Duathlon  
Sport N Action - Nugget Race  
St James Church - Open Door Christmas Dinner  
St Joseph's School  
Te Aroha Boxing Club  
Te Korowai Hauraki O Hauraki  
TECT Rescue Helicopter  
Thames Valley Basketball Association  
Thames Valley Bowls Umpires  
Thames Valley Rugby Club  
The Salvation Army Christmas Food Hampers  
University of Waikato  
Vision Waihi Trust  
Waihi Hack and Hunters  
Waihi and Districts Agricultural Club  
Waihi A and P Association  
Waihi Arts Centre and Museum  
Waihi Association Football Club  
Waihi Athletic Rugby Club  
Waihi Beach Fire Brigade - defibrillator  
Waihi Beach Lifeguard Services  
Waihi Beach School  
Waihi Bowling Club  
Waihi Central School  
Waihi College  
Waihi Community Marae  
Waihi Contract Bridge Club  
Waihi Darts Association  
Waihi East School  
Waihi Fire Brigade  
Waihi Golf Club  
Waihi Herb Society  
Waihi Heritage Vision  
Waihi Indoor Bowling Club  
Waihi Inline Hockey  
Waihi Performing Arts  
Waihi Plunket Society  
Waihi Special Needs Idol Day  
Waihi Tennis Club  
Waihi Timebank  
Waihi Toy Library  
Waikino School  
Waimata School  
White Ribbon campaign  
Woodstocke NZ Potters

